

Minutes of the Meeting of the Heath Finance Committee  
February 21, 2012

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Sawyer Hall

Present: Ned Wolf, Jeff Simmons, Don Freeman, Dave Gott, and at 7:20 Kara Leistyna, the BOS, and  
Becky Allen

The minutes of the February 7<sup>th</sup> meeting were read and approved with emendations.

Members scanned copies of the Board of Health(BOH) budget submitted by Becky Allen with accompanying notes which they discussed.

At 7:30 pm Members joined the meeting of the BOS.

Becky Allen answered questions about the BOH budget she has submitted. She is requesting \$762 less for Health Agent Services because they plan to use the services of a Health Agent other than Glen Ayers. Regarding possible raises mentioned in Becky's notes, Don and the BOS explained that stipends and raises are done together. Any increase in pay for the Clerk would be a raise and would appear in Article 3. There was a discussion about the appropriate amount of funds to have in the revolving account. Camper Trailer Permits are done only on even years. Money from the permits comes in early and then tails off as the need for inspections rises. Sheila said that the permits are supposed to pay for the inspector. Presently, everything in the revolving fund in excess of \$3000 goes into the General Fund. Brian suggested raising the limit from \$3000 to \$5000 as a way to accommodate the BOH's need to pay an inspector. Don suggested an additional revolving account for Camper Trailers. He will consult Tracey about rules that may apply to revolving accounts.

Becky provided more specifics about the proposed replacement for Glen Ayers. The Greenfield Department of Health will be the Heath BOH's backup for \$45 per hour. If a representative of the Greenfield Department of Health needs to come to Heath, the rate would be \$60 per hour. Becky said that the FY13 budget request has Heath covered for 75 hours. Members asked Becky about the Board of Health Expense line which indicates that only \$287 of the budgeted \$2,100 have been spent. Becky said she expects that \$300 will be needed for her extra training and \$500 for Karen's extra training but that she doubts that the total spent of the budgeted \$2,100 will reach \$1,800. Members thanked Becky for her input.

At 8:00 pm the FinCom returned to the Assessors' Office. There was some discussion of past invitations the committee has extended to various community groups for joint meetings. Jeff said that he thinks that in the case of Mohawk Estates we have put our foot forward in our September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting with Steve Rogers and that we can wait and see.

Members assisted Ned in gathering his thoughts for the Annual Finance Committee Report 2011 which he will send to Kara on February 24. Dave suggested that Ned mention Doug Stetson's service on the committee and our appreciation for his longtime involvement in the community. Don made a motion that this be acknowledged in an expression of condolences to be sent to Alli. The motion passed unanimously. Ned will send members a draft of the annual report for their comments.

The FinCom adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ned Wolf. Secretary